





Presley Remembered

Ronald Totten of East Hartford, at left, was among the thousands who bought Elvis Presley records Wednesday, spurred by the king of rock 'n roll's death. Totten got some of the last Presley records available at Al Franklin's Music World at the Hartford Civic Center. At right, persons who

had bought tickets for this Sunday's Presley concert at the civic center return them for refunds. Many others kept the tickets as mementos (Courant Photos by Arman G. Hatsian).

World Fans Weep, Recall Presley Impact

Elvis Presley "a global disfans of the rock 'n' roll king besieged European record stores to buy vintage Presley albums and his hits once again jammed the airwaves from Peru to Israel.

"Elvis was one of the few people in the world who actually did nothing but bring pleasure into the lives of people," said nationally known British deejay Jimmy Savile in Leeds, England.

The British Presley Fan Club said its 21st annual convention would go on this weekend, but an organizer said members would not watch two Elvis films as planned.

said Caroline Zetland. "I think there will be a memorial service instead. We are buying black arm bands."

On Paris' Champs Elysees, a record store clerk said a woman in her 30s - the Presley generation - was waiting at the door when the store opened Wednesday morning, only hours after the 42-year-old singer died at his Memphis mansion of a heart ailment.

"She bolted right in when we opened the door and bought two albums, with tears in her eyes," the sales clerk said.

A cashier estimated she rang up \$1,000 worth of Presley records by late afternoon, including a \$140 sale to another woman in her

"It is as if I had lost my brother. I cried all night," said Francoise Geysen, head of the Presley club in Brussels, where fans wept outside little comment. record stores.

their normal programming proved by the state but in several European coun- smuggled records and tapes

The Associated Press tries and Israel to announce Britain's favorite disc the death. Special memorial jockey called the death of programs were broadcast Wednesday and more were aster" Wednesday. Weeping scheduled for later in the

> Spanish government television devoted two minutes of its early evening newscast to Presley, over a background of his ballad "Are You Lonesome Tonight." Another Presley hit, "Heartbreak Hotel," kicked off the day on a major West German radio network.

While broadcast stations played the tunes that made Presley famous, newspapers were analyzing the sociological roots of that fame.

"He woke up America of the '50s, but 20 years later the silent majority re-"I don't believe anybody claimed him," said the influcould bear to see them now," ential Paris newspaper Le Monde in a front-page tribute entitled "The Demon of Rock."

"Elvis Presley at 19 surged with a very hard, savage and therefore subversive music, made up of country, rhythm-and-blues, jazz. His violence shook the 15-to 18year-olds of the era. Supercharged, in revolt, they broke loose accordingly; today they are 40 years old, they have grown old..."

A Dutch newspaper wrote: "He twisted, he shouted, he panted and sweated. At last there was somebody who smashed down the hammer and yelled out to the older generation: you made a mess

of it, now it's our turn." Presley's death made front pages, often with photos and banner headlines like "The King is Dead," in Switzerland, Israel, Mexico, Brazil, Denmark and Belgium. Communist party organs in France and Italy noted Presley's death with

In the Soviet Union, where Disc jockeys broke into Presley music was disap-

were everywhere, the government newspaper Izvestia wrote: "Enterprising businessmen transformed Presley into the 'idol of rock 'n'

renown to work in the service of profits."

Three weeks earlier, a commentary in the Literary Gazette called Presley roll,' putting his talent and an example of American ex- ion."

ploitation. After a period of popularity, it said he had been "mercilessly tossed onto the scrap heap of those who have gone out of fash-



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more complete plan outlining U.S. views.

The plan clearly would have to include proposals for substantial Israeli withdrawals from occupied territories on all fronts, a Palestinian homeland of some sort and efforts to create an atmosphere of peace. A necessity would be a demand that the Palestine Liberation Organization recognize the existence of Israel.

These have been the major elements in the Carter concept of peace so far, but they have never been spelled out in detail.

If Carter were to do so,

Literacy Unit Awarded Grant

A \$57,835 federal grant has been awarded to Literacy Volunteers of Connecticut for second-year funding of the Reading Academy Program in Hartford, Bridgeport, Willimantic and Danbury.

The academies were set up to teach community volunteers how to train other adults to read and write. Training is also given for teachers in "English-as-asecond-language" programs for immigrants.

The academies are open to all. The grant was awarded by the U.S. Office of Health, Education and Welfare.

BORN IN WEST

The first president born west of the Mississippi was Herbert Hoover, of Iowa City. Iowa.

be interpreted as a campaign to put pressure on Israel to be more flexible. The Israelis have strongly resisted any kind of commitment

territories and have bitterly fought the concept of a Palestinian homeland.

To add insult to injury, the by Carter.

the move mevitably would to withdraw from occupied Israelis announced plans Wednesday to establish three new settlements on the West Bank, despite strong personal objections to settlements

The United States was not informed of the Israeli decision in advance. The U.S. ambassador to Israel was instructed to express U.S. opposition.



